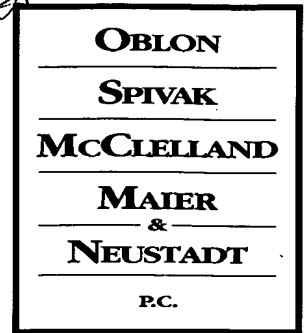




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METHOD AND DATA TRANSMITTER  
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SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the approximate date on which further action will be taken on this Application. A Letter Submitting Drawing Sheet(s), Replacement Drawing 4 sheets and An Amendment were filed July 20, 2004, responsive to an Office Action mailed April 20, 2004.

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